In the claims:

1. (canceled)

2. (canceled)

3. (currently amended) ~~The device of claim 1 wherein:~~ An electro-mechanical chest compression device comprising:

a housing wherein the housing comprises an anterior cover plate, a superior cover plate attached to the anterior cover plate and an inferior cover plate attached to the anterior cover plate; ~~and~~

~~said chest compression device further comprises~~ a metal foil mounted to the inside surface of the anterior cover plate;

a motor disposed in the housing;

a drive spool rotatably attached to the motor, wherein the motor is capable of rotating the drive spool;

a belt attached to the drive spool, said belt capable of extending at least partially around the chest of a patient, wherein rotation of the drive spool tightens the belt to compress the chest of the patient; and

a means for circulating air, said means disposed in the housing, said means operable to increase the amount of airflow within the housing, wherein the means for circulating air is chosen from the group consisting of a blower and a fan.

4. (original) The device of claim 3 further comprising a layer of insulation disposed between the anterior cover plate and the metal foil.

5. (original) The device of claim 3 further comprising a layer of insulation disposed on the inside surface of the anterior cover plate.

6. (canceled)

7. (canceled)

8. (currently amended) ~~The device of claim 7~~ An electro-mechanical chest compression device comprising:

a housing;

a motor disposed in the housing;

a rib disposed within the housing and oriented parallel to the motor, said rib being disposed to create a narrow space between the motor and the rib, ~~wherein~~ the rib divides the device into at least two compartments, wherein the rib is attached to a component of the device such that the rib serves as a thermal barrier between compartments;

a drive spool rotatably attached to the motor, wherein the motor is capable of rotating the drive spool;

a belt attached to the drive spool, said belt capable of extending at least partially around the chest of a patient, wherein rotation of the drive spool tightens the belt to compress the chest of the patient; and a means for circulating air, said means disposed in the housing, said means operable to increase the amount of airflow within the housing, wherein the means for circulating air is chosen from the group consisting of a blower and a fan.

9. (original) The device of claim 8 wherein the rib is further attached to the housing such that the rib prevents liquid from passing between compartments.

10. (canceled)

11. (canceled)

12. (canceled)